

Process Name: Inventory (Central Stores)		Process Identifier: IN	
Sub-Process Name: Stock Reorder		Sub-Process Identifier: IN-1	
Sub-Process Purpose and Objectives: To order items to replenish inventory stock.			
Sub-Process Description: The sub-process begins when the Purchasing Supervisor receives a reorder-point report generated by the FIMS system. The Supervisor allocates the reorder procurements to Buyers. The Buyers then review their assignments and determine from where to source the items they are to procure. Many items are purchased off State contract; items that are not are typically bid out. Once the procurement source is determined, the Buyer first enters a PO into the FIMS system and then enters a PO into the TOPS system. The TOPS system automatically generates an electronic approval path, and assuming all approvals are granted, the Buyer prints the PO and sends the PO to the respective vendor. The Buyer monitors the status of POs he/she has issued, as well as backordered items.			
When the Warehouse receives the ordered goods from the vendor, the goods are inspected, and if the goods are in good condition, meet the specifications of the order, etc., the Warehouse enters receipt information into FIMS. Next, the Buyer enters receipt information into TOPS, and the sub-process flow is transferred to the Invoice process.			
Sub-Process Trigger(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none">This sub-process is triggered when the Purchasing Supervisor receives a reorder-point report that is generated by the FIMS system.		Key Sub-Process Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Purchasing SupervisorBuyersWarehouse PersonnelAdministration Central Stores OFM CommissionVendors / Bidders	
Inputs:			
Input	Format	Volume/Time	Suppliers
Items to be reordered	Paper report		FIMS system
Shipments of goods received	Goods		Vendors

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Outputs:			
Output	Format	Volume/Time	Recipients
POs	Paper		Vendors
Receipt transactions	Electronic		TOPS and FIMS
Performance Measures Tracked:			
Measure		Approx. Value	Target Value
Laws, Regulations, and Policies That Govern Sub-Process: (1) Accounting policy (2) Inventory policy (3) Purchasing policy (4) State code (5) federal code			
Current Sub-Process Issues/Problems:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> POs must be manually entered into TOPS and FIMS 			
Improvement Opportunities:			
Opportunity <i>Merge cells to link one Opportunity to multiple impacts)</i>		Organizational Impacts <i>(Individually list and describe laws [L] regulations [R], and policies [P], as well as cultural [C] considerations for each opportunity)</i>	
Currently purchase orders must be manually entered into TOPS and FIMS; build or buy (e.g., ERP) system integration that would eliminate the need to enter purchase orders and receipt information into FIMS and TOPS			

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Implement system functionality that would cause reorder points in the system to trigger the generation of requisitions for the items to be reordered. The requisitions could then be manually assigned to Buyers (within the system) or be assigned by the system based on commodity code, Buyer workload, and other factors.		
Implement the ability for the Inventory system to transmit purchase orders directly to the receiving vendor's system		
Reduction in inventory levels required to be maintained and inventory carrying costs		
Applications that Support the Sub-process		
Application Name(s) <i>(Internal name and vendor's name)</i>	Technology Description <i>(Programming vendor, language, platform, database, etc.)</i>	
TOPS	TOPS is based on a system that was developed by Information Management Specialists, Inc.; the company conducts business under the name of Informs. Informs' name for the system is Advanced Government Purchasing System (AGPS). The system is written in COBOL and runs on a mainframe.	
FIMS		



